<u>IN THE CLAIMS</u>

Please cancel claims 1-20.

Please add the following thirty-seven new claims:

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--21. (New) A hand-held data handling device, comprising:

a housing;

a keyboard, located on a user accessible surface of said housing, comprising a plurality of individual, user-depressible keys;

a screen input component, located on a user accessible surface of said housing, said screen input component located distinctly from said keyboard; an optical information sensing component, housed by said housing; and a computerized data handling system, located internally of said housing, coupled with said keyboard and said screen input component;

wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the data handling device to be hand-held and portable such that data can be input while said housing is held in a user's hand.--

- --22. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said optical information sensing component comprises an optical indicia reader.--
- --23. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 22, wherein said optical indicia reader comprises a bar code scanner.--

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- --24. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said optical information sensing component comprises an optical communication component.--
- --25. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 24, wherein said optical communication component is capable of wireless communication with a computerized device.--
- --26. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 24, wherein said optical communication component is positioned so as to communicatively couple with a docking device when docked therewith.--
- --27. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, further comprising a wire communication component enabling the hand-held data handling device to communicate via a wired connection.
- --28. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 27, wherein said wire communication component enables the hand-held data handling device to communicate via a wire-linked telephonic communication system.--
- --29. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the hand-held data handling device to be gripped in one hand during data entry via said screen input component.--



- --30. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the hand-held data handling device to be gripped in one hand during data entry via said keyboard.--
- -31. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the hand-held data handling device to be gripped in one hand during use of said optical information sensing component.--
- --32. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, further comprising an information storage card.--
- --33. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 32, wherein said information storage card is a user-removable information storage card.--
- --34. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said screen input component comprises a touch screen.--
- --35. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said keyboard is located adjacent to said screen input component.--



- --36. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 21, wherein said optical information sensing component is structured to function both as a wireless communication component and as an optical indicia reader.--
- --37. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, further comprising a user-removable memory module.--
- --38. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, wherein said optical information sensing component is capable of communicating with a computerized device.--
- --39. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, wherein said optical information sensing component is positioned so as to communicatively couple with a docking device when docked therewith.--
- --40. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, wherein said optical information sensing component comprises a bar code reader.--
- --41. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, further comprising a wire communication component enabling the hand-held data handling device to communicate via a wired connection.--

- --42. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 41, wherein said wire communication component enables the hand-held data handling device to communicate via a wire-linked telephonic communication system.--
- --43. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the hand-held data handling device to be gripped in one hand during data entry via said screen input component.--
- --44. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the hand-held data handling device to be gripped in one hand during data entry via said keyboard.--
- -45. (New) The hand-held data handling device of claim 36, wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the hand-held data handling device to be gripped in one hand during use of said optical information sensing component.--



--46. (New) An apparatus, comprising:

an array of depressible keys;

a screen input system, comprising an input screen area located distinctly from said array of depressible keys, said screen input system being capable of detecting a touch to said input screen area and of determining where on said input screen area that touch has occurred;

a visual display, located at least partially at the same location occupied by said input screen area, said visual display being capable of presenting visual information to a user;

an optical information sensing component, capable of sensing light energy reflected from an optical indicia; and

a computerized processing system, communicatively coupled with said array of depressible keys, said screen input system, said visual display and said optical information sensing component.--

--47. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, wherein said optical information sensing component comprises an optical indicia reader capable of reading machine-readable optical indicia.--

--48. (New) The apparatus of claim 47, wherein said optical indicia reader comprises a bar code scanner.--



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--49. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, wherein said optical information sensing component is also capable of wireless communication with a computerized device.--

--50. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, further comprising a housing supporting said array of depressible keys, said screen input system, said visual display, said optical information sensing component and said computerized processing system;

wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the apparatus to be gripped in one hand during data entry via said screen input system.--

-51. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, further comprising a housing supporting said array of depressible keys, said screen input system, said visual display, said optical information sensing component and said computerized processing system;

wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the apparatus to be gripped in one hand during data entry via said array of depressible keys.--

--52. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, further comprising a housing supporting said array of depressible keys, said screen input system, said visual display, said optical information sensing component and said computerized processing system;

wherein said housing is of a shape and size permitting the apparatus to be gripped in one hand during data entry via said optical information sensing component.--

--53. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, further comprising a user-removable data storage module.--



- --54. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, wherein said screen input system comprises a touch screen capable of sensing where on said input screen area a user has touched said input screen area.--
- --55. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, wherein said array of depressible keys is located adjacent to said input screen area.--
- --56. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, further comprising a wire communication component enabling the apparatus to communicate with a computerized device via a wired connection.—



--57. (New) An apparatus, comprising:

means for providing a hand-held, portable housing;

means for inputting data via depressible keys, located on said means for providing a hand-held, portable housing;

means for inputting data via a screen, located distinctly from said means for inputting data via depressible keys, said means for inputting data via a screen being supported by said means for providing a hand-held, portable housing;

means for displaying visual information, located at least partially at the same location occupied by said means for inputting data via a screen;

means for sensing optical information, supported by said means for providing a hand-held, portable housing; and

means for processing data, supported by said means for providing a handheld, portable housing, said means for processing data being communicatively coupled with said means for inputting data via depressible keys, said means for inputting data via a screen, said means for displaying visual information and said means for sensing optical information.—

